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Bicycle and Pedestrian Task Force

Agenda

2:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 11, 2009

Cook County Conference Room 233 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 800, Sears Tower Chicago, Illinois

1.0 Call to Order and Introductions

2:00 p.m.

Tom Rickert, Chairman

2.0 Approval of Meeting Notes from December

Meeting notes are posted at http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/bikeped/minutes.aspx (Agenda Attachment 1).

SUGGESTED ACTION: Approval of meeting notes

3.0 Data and Information

3.1 Pedestrian and Bicycle Crash Data

Staff will distribute new data and analysis on pedestrian and bicycle crashes (2004-07), by City of Chicago, suburban Cook, and county in northeastern Illinois.

SUGGESTED ACTION: Information

4.0 Regional Bikeway Planning

4.1 South Suburban Mayors and Managers Association Bikeway Plan Update

Steve Buchtel, South Suburban Coordinator with Active Transportation Alliance, will give the Task Force a brief presentation on the process and status of the recent update of the South Suburban Bikeways Plan.

SUGGESTED ACTION: Information

4.2 Skokie Valley Trail Feasibility Study

Tim Gustafson of TY Lin will, with Active Transportation Alliance staff, present a brief overview and update on the Skokie Valley Trail Feasibility Study.

SUGGESTED ACTION: Information and Discussion

4.3 Regional Greenways and Trails Plan

CMAP staff will present a very brief status update on the Regional Greenways and Trails Plan. SUGGESTED ACTION: Information

5.0 Pedestrian and Bicycle Project Programming

5.1 Economic Recovery Act

Patricia Berry, CMAP staff, will provide the Task Force with a brief summary of the federal Economic Recovery Act and the opportunities it may provide for bicycle and pedestrian projects. SUGGESTED ACTION: Information

5.2 Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) Program

The Bike-Ped Task Force's Project Rankings Workgroup met on January 7, 2009. The recommendations are posted at http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/bikeped/minutes.aspx. SUGGESTED ACTION: Recommendation of changes to CMAQ Project Selection Committee

5.3 Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP)

Randy Neufeld, the Task Force's representative on the Transportation Committee, discussed suballocation of Transportation Enhancement funds at the Committee's January meeting. Mr. Neufeld will brief the Task Force on the status of these discussions.

SUGGESTED ACTION: Information and Discussion

5.4 Safe Routes to School

Owen Read of the Active Transportation Alliance will give a brief presentation regarding the Safe Routes to School Local School Outreach project. Active Trans is seeking to identify partner schools to assist with the development of school travel plans so they are prepared for SRTS and other funding, as appropriate.

SUGGESTED ACTION: Information and Discussion

5.5 Rescissions and Lapses

Status update on federal program rescissions and lapses, as appropriate.

SUGGESTED ACTION: Information and Discussion

5.6 Project Update

Implementing agencies will be invited to provide a brief update regarding the status of programmed projects. Staff is requesting information on recently let projects, completed projects, and project delays which need attention by CMAP staff.

SUGGESTED ACTION: Information, Discussion, and Referral to Staff

6.0 Policy Planning

6.1 Complete Streets

Ed Barsotti, Executive Director of the League of Illinois Bicyclists, will update the Task Force on recent discussions regarding the status of the state's Complete Streets legislation.

SUGGESTED ACTION: Information

6.2 Professional Development

Deborah Fagan, Chief Planner and County Trail System Coordinator of DuPage County, will introduce a discussion of getting engineers in the region up-to-speed on innovations in bicycle and pedestrian facility design and operations, e.g., the proposed AASHTO bicycle facilities design guidelines.

SUGGESTED ACTION: Discussion

7.0 Public Comment

This is an opportunity for comments from members of the audience. The amount of time available to speak will be at the chair's discretion. It should be noted that the exact time for the public comment period will immediately follow the last item on the agenda.

8.0 Next Meeting

Next meeting is suggested for Wednesday, May 13, 2009 at 2:00 p.m.

9.0 Adjournment 4:00 p.m.

Bicycle and Pedestrian Task Force Members:

Ed Barsotti	Rae Keasler	Les Nunes
Richard Bascomb	David Longo	Greg Piland
Ray Campbell	CTA: Vacant	Keith Privett
Bruce Christensen	Allan Mellis	Tom Rickert, Chairman
Chalen Daigle	Taqhi Mohammed	CNT: Vacant
DPH: Vacant	Barbara Moore	Jonathan Tremper
Deborah Fagan	Joe Moriarty	Craig Williams
Andrea Hoyt	Randy Neufeld	Elizabeth Wuerffel